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Biden announces second indictment of Earl Bradley

Georgetown – Attorney General Beau Biden announced that the Sussex County Grand Jury today indicted Earl Bradley on 58 counts of rape and other sexual offenses related to his abuse of 24 girls.

“These charges are the next step forward in our continued efforts to hold Bradley accountable for his actions,” Biden said at the Delaware Department of Justice’s offices in Georgetown. “We are working just as hard to ensure the victims and their families have everything they need.”

The 58-count indictment is in addition to the 471-counts Bradley was indicted on in February, which involved 102 girls and one boy. The charges in today’s indictment, which include rape, unlawful sexual contact, continuous sexual abuse of a child, and sexual exploitation, involve patients he saw from 1999 to 2009. It is based on victim interviews conducted at the Delaware Children’s Advocacy Center at the request of the Delaware Department of Justice and Delaware State Police during the investigation that began in December 2008 and continued through Bradley’s December 2009 arrest. The investigation remains open and ongoing.

Biden continued to highlight the services and support available to victims of Dr. Bradley and their families through the Delaware Department of Justice and other agencies, including:

- The Delaware Department of Justice continues to provide services for victims and their families through the Delaware Department of Justice Lewes Community Office at **(302) 645-4010**. Parents can also visit this office, at 105 W 4th Street, to request a copy of their child’s pediatric file, share information with investigators, and be connected with counseling and other services that are available. Normal hours of operation are 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, but appointments at other times can be accommodated.
- The Delaware Department of Justice, Delaware State Police, and other agencies are coordinating specialized services for victims and their families. Concerned parents and caretakers are urged to contact the Delaware State Police 24-hour Victim Services Hotline at 1-800-VICTIM-1 (1-800-842-8461) or send an e-mail to Delaware State Police at victim1@state.de.us. Callers will speak with a victim service advocate qualified to provide important information and make appropriate referrals. They may also be directed to financial assistance provided for counseling and other services through state programs, including the Delaware Victims’ Compensation Assistance Program.

The Delaware Department of Justice reminds the public that an indictment is merely an allegation and is not evidence of guilt. Defendants are presumed innocent and are entitled to a jury trial at which the state bears the burden of proving each charge beyond a reasonable doubt.

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